

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A plank, comprising:
a plurality of sides defining a perimeter;
a plurality of edge patterns arranged proximate at least one first portion of the
5 perimeter, wherein at least two of the plurality of edge patterns are substantially identical;
and
at least one bulk pattern arranged adjacent the plurality of edge patterns and
proximate at least one second portion of the perimeter, wherein at least one bulk pattern and
an edge pattern adjacent the at least one bulk pattern forms a substantially continuous pattern.
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2. The plank according to claim 1, wherein at least one edge pattern comprises a
decorative motif.
3. The plank according to claim 1, wherein at least one bulk pattern comprises a
15 decorative motif.
4. The plank according to claim 1, wherein at least one edge pattern comprises an
embossed surface texture.
- 20 5. The plank according to claim 1, wherein at least one bulk pattern comprises an
embossed surface texture.

6. The plank according to claim 1, wherein at least one edge pattern comprises an embossed surface texture in registration with a decorative motif.
7. The plank according to claim 1, wherein at least one bulk pattern comprises an embossed surface texture in registration with a decorative motif.
8. The plank according to claim 1, wherein at least one edge pattern comprises an embossed surface texture out of registration with a decorative motif.
9. The plank according to claim 1, wherein at least one bulk pattern comprises an embossed surface texture out of registration with a decorative motif.
10. The plank according to claim 1, wherein the at least one first portion and the at least one second portion of the perimeter constitute the perimeter.
11. The plank according to claim 1, wherein the plurality of edge patterns are formed on the at least one first portion of the perimeter.
12. The plank according to claim 11, wherein at least one edge pattern extends away from the perimeter by a predetermined distance.
13. The plank according to claim 12, wherein the predetermined distance is about 1 centimeter from the perimeter of the plank.

14. The plank according to claim 1, wherein at least one edge pattern extends along at least a portion of at least one of the plurality of sides.

5 15. The plank according to claim 1, wherein the plurality of edge patterns extend along an entirety of at least one of the plurality of sides.

16. A flooring system, comprising:

at least two planks adjacent each other along a predetermined direction, wherein each

10 plank comprises:

a plurality of sides defining a perimeter;

a plurality of edge patterns arranged proximate at least one first portion of the perimeter, wherein at least two of the plurality of edge patterns are substantially identical; and

15 at least one bulk pattern arranged adjacent the plurality of edge patterns and proximate at least one second portion of the perimeter, wherein at least one bulk pattern and an edge pattern adjacent the at one least bulk pattern forms substantially continuous pattern; wherein edge patterns of the at least two planks form a substantially continuous pattern.

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17. A plank according to claim 16, wherein at least one edge pattern comprises a decorative motif.

18. A plank according to claim 16, wherein at least one bulk pattern comprises a decorative motif.

19. A plank according to claim 16, wherein at least one edge pattern comprises an embossed surface texture.

20. A plank according to claim 16, wherein at least one bulk pattern comprises an embossed surface texture.

21. A plank according to claim 16, wherein at least one edge pattern comprises an embossed surface texture in registration with a decorative motif.

22. A plank according to claim 16, wherein at least one bulk pattern comprises an embossed surface texture in registration with a decorative motif.

23. A plank according to claim 16, wherein at least one edge pattern comprises an embossed surface texture out of registration with a decorative motif.

24. A plank according to claim 16, wherein at least one bulk pattern comprises an embossed surface texture out of registration with a decorative motif.

25. A plank according to claim 16, wherein the at least one first portion and the at least one second portion of the perimeter constitute the perimeter.

26. A plank according to claim 16, wherein the plurality of edge patterns are formed on the at least one first portion of the perimeter.

5 27. A plank according to claim 26, wherein at least one edge pattern extends away from the perimeter by a predetermined distance.

28. A plank according to claim 27, wherein the predetermined distance is about 1 centimeter from the perimeter of the plank.

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29. A plank according to claim 16, wherein at least one edge pattern extends along at least a portion of at least one of the plurality of sides.

30. A plank according to claim 16, wherein the plurality of edge patterns extend along an entirety of at least one of the plurality of sides.

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31. The flooring system according to claim 16, further comprising a tongue extending from the perimeter of one edge of each plank and a groove running along the perimeter of the opposite edge of each plank, wherein any of said grooves is capable of receiving any of said tongues.

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32. The flooring system according to claim 31, wherein only planks arranged in a direction such that the tongue of one planks fits into the groove of an adjacent plank fit together.

5 33. A floor panel, comprising:
a plurality of sides defining a perimeter;
a surface having thereon a decorative motif, said decorative motif comprising at least two edge patterns adjacent each of the sides of the panel and at least one bulk pattern in the interior of the panel and adjacent the edge pattern on each side,
10 wherein at least one edge pattern along a side is substantially identical to the edge pattern in a corresponding position along an opposite side; and
wherein at least one portion of the decorative motif along a side is substantially different from the corresponding portion of the decorative motif along an opposite side.

15 34. The plank according to claim 33, wherein the plurality of edge patterns comprise an embossed surface texture.

35. The plank according to claim 33, wherein the at least one bulk pattern comprises an embossed surface texture.

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36. The plank according to claim 33, wherein the plurality of edge patterns comprise an embossed surface texture in registration with a decorative motif.

37. The plank according to claim 33, wherein the at least one bulk pattern comprises an embossed surface texture in registration with a decorative motif.

38. The plank according to claim 33, wherein the plurality of edge patterns comprise an embossed surface texture out of registration with a decorative motif.

39. The plank according to claim 33, wherein the at least one bulk pattern comprises an embossed surface texture out of registration with a decorative motif.

40. The plank according to claim 33, wherein the plurality of edge patterns extend away from the perimeter by a predetermined distance.

41. The plank according to claim 40, wherein the predetermined distance is about 1 centimeter from the perimeter of the plank.

42. The plank according to claim 33, further comprising a tongue extending from the perimeter of one edge of the plank and a groove running along the perimeter of the opposite edge of the plank, wherein said groove is capable of receiving said tongue.

43. The plank according to claim 33, wherein the tongue interconnects with a groove of an adjacent plank.